## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Alexandria Division

M.M.M., G.S., M.O.K., B.S.S., AND H.K.,	)	
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Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. 1:24cv1120 (MSN/IDD)
	)	
UNITED STATES DEPARMENT OF STATE	)	
and UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF	)	
HOMELAND SECURITY,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

## JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's December 11, 2024 Order, Dkt. 46, and following the November 14, 2024, Settlement Conference and the January 8, 2025, telephonic status conference with Judge Davis in this matter and the parties' December 20, 2024 joint status report, see Dkt. 47, the parties hereby provide this status report to inform the Court that discussions between the parties are ongoing. Defendants are able to inform the Court at this time that the Foreign Affairs Manual has been updated with guidance relevant to certain Afghan SIV applicants, see 9 FAM 502.1-1(D)(5)(a)(6). In addition, Defendants report that the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad Pakistan will schedule Plaintiff H.K.'s visa interview.

At this time, the parties plan to continue these discussions without Court intervention. Accordingly, in the interest of judicial economy, and to avoid an unnecessary and burdensome expenditure of this Court's resources, the parties jointly request that they be permitted to provide a further update to this Court in seven (7) days, on January 17, 2025, as to the status of their negotiations. The parties will notify the Court if the discussions result in resolution of some or all of claims in the above-captioned matter.

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